



# TRANSIT CONNECTIONS FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS

*Strengthening Tucson's Frequent Transit Network through Integrated Transportation Planning including Active Transportation, First-/Last-Mile Connections, and Parking Connections*

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## Focus Group Meeting Outline **Updated 2/28/18**

**Meeting #1: February 22, 2018** (9-11am, 201 N Stone, 4<sup>th</sup> Flr LARGE Conf Room)

### **Enhancing the Future Transit Vision for Tucson's Frequent Transit Network (FTN)**

Introductory meeting to manage expectations, logistics and clarify the mission of the focus group. This meeting will also introduce future transit vision for Tucson.

*Breakout Group Discussions Questions:*

- What do you believe are the characteristics of a well-connected community? (*Consider what we do well and what exists in other communities that you have visited*)
- What are we missing currently?
- What's most important?

### **Field Trip: TBD**

The focus group and organizing team will participate in a Saturday 1/2-day field trip that will have everyone experience Tucson's Frequent Transit Network and the connections.

*Debrief Questions: (To be utilized either on the day of the field trip and/or at a debriefing at the next regularly scheduled meeting)*

- Now that you've seen and experienced Tucson transit network...
  - What impressed you?
  - What did you see that needs a solution?

**Meeting #2: April 19, 2018** (9-11am, 201 N Stone, 4<sup>th</sup> Flr LARGE Conf Room)

### **Best Practices and Opportunities for Integrated Planning**

1. Debrief from the field trip
2. Review other successful transit models that integrate multi-modal considerations into transportation planning, funding, and operational policies, decision-making, and procedures. Discussion will consider which can be implemented in Tucson.

*Proposed Questions:*

- Given the characteristics of a well-connected community identified at our first meeting and after viewing the video...
  - What specific examples from the video do you now see we already have in Tucson?
  - What did you see that would work well in Tucson and serve our assessment of what is important?
  - Of these items...



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- What could be implemented with limited resources or at no cost to the city?
- What needs funding and resources?

## **Meeting #3: May 17, 2018** (9-11am, 201 N Stone, 4<sup>th</sup> Flr LARGE Conf Room)

### **Formulate Preliminary List of Actionable Items**

1. Review an outline of all discussion ideas formulated in the previous meetings for accuracy.
2. Make a determination about those items and ideas where there is consensus and agreement, and where there are dissenting opinions.

## **Meeting #4: June 21, 2018** (9-11am, 201 N Stone, 4<sup>th</sup> Flr LARGE Conf Room)

### **Funding Connections/Improvements**

Building on the ideas formulated, a more detailed presentation will be provided about Park Tucson's operations and budget, as well as TDOTs and regional funding for transportation. Discussion will consider what opportunities might exist for funding improvements that would support the Future Transit Vision.

#### *Proposed Questions*

- What options for funding can be accessed now, and what should be explored in support of the ideas formulated?

## **Meeting #5: July 19, 2018** (9-11am, 201 N Stone, 4<sup>th</sup> Flr LARGE Conf Room)

### **Boards, Committees, and Commissions (BCCs)**

The roles and charges of each BCC will be presented and discussed, as will results from surveys that were conducted within the last year. Discussion will focus on how the work at the BCC level plays into the ability to fully integrate multi-modal considerations into transportation planning, funding, and operational policies, decision-making, and procedures. Introduce potential ideas; solicit other models.

#### *Proposed Questions*

- How can the BCC's function better to help implement the ideas that have been formulated?

## **Meeting #6: TBD, 2018** (9-11am, 201 N Stone, 4<sup>th</sup> Flr LARGE Conf Room)

### **Review draft staff recommendation report for Mayor and Council**

Present draft staff recommendation report to Focus Group for feedback and endorsement

## **August-September 2018, TBD**

### **Present staff recommendations to Mayor and Council**